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1. There are over 400 metal workers' cooperatives in the Zagłębie area, which includes Bedzin (Q51/Y67), Sosnowiec (Q51/Y67), and Dąbrowa Górnicza (Q51/Y77). Each cooperative bears the same name, Spółdzielnia Metalowców. The central administration is located at ulica Kosciuszki No. 22, Bedzin.
2. One of the cooperatives is located at ulica Malachowskiego No. 42, Bedzin. It makes copies of a Danish chair for urological examinations and iron bedsteads for hospitals and workers' dormitories.
3. A branch of Centrosprzet (Central Trade Office for Medical Equipment) in Warsaw buys the hospital equipment, and the Ministry of Industrial Construction receives the bedsteads.
4. In the latter part of 1952 the Ministry of Industrial Construction placed orders for thousands of bedsteads with the above and similar cooperatives. The orders resulted from a new directive to large industrial enterprises to provide dormitories for workers and to new enterprises to build dormitories at the same time as factories.
5. One such dormitory is being built at a village approximately six kilometers from Krakow, where work was begun in September 1952 on a bridge across the Vistula to link the Nowa Huta works with Krakow.

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